

Spa Bermondsey Newsletter



We have ended the year with lots of joy and excitement this December. I am very proud of all the hard work our pupils have achieved this year and know that there is lots more to come! It was lovely to see so many of you at our *Family Festive Fun* event on December 11th. We had crafting activities, a dance floor and ended with some amazing karaoke! Our next Family event is the Pantomime on January 21st. If you haven't had a letter and want some free tickets, please let us know.



This year we have been part of the Bermondsey Christmas Window trail. Our School House Café has one of 25 windows that are being lit up each evening in December. You can find the full map at this link: <https://www.biglocalworks.org.uk/bermondsey-christmas-trail/> A big thank you to Molly, our Art Lead, and Agnese, our Café manager, for making this happen. Some classes have walked sections of the Trail to look at the windows of other local businesses.



One of the highlights of December is our Christmas lunch. Staff and students sit together, festive jumpers optional, and enjoy the wonderful cooking of our catering team—Tracy, Abi and Stella. It's the one day of the year you can have more than one pudding in your bowl! Pupils really enjoyed the afternoon.



A group of students took part in targeted safety workshops delivered through the MOPAC BRAVE programme. KS5 students explored topics including gang violence, the Prevent program and extremism, focusing on understanding risks and making safe, informed choices. KS3 students took part in an interactive session on staying safe online, including recognising fake news and protecting themselves in the digital world. Pupils really enjoyed the sessions and we were very proud of their engagement.



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Earwig

If you haven't yet been able to log into Earwig please let Georgina or Shervinia know. Records for Autumn 2 will be released to families at the end of the first week of January.

Website

Our website has had a make over! If you need help finding something please let us know—but I hope you enjoy the new look and interface.

Safeguarding

If you have any concerns about a child's wellbeing or safety please let Georgina or Natasha know. Our safeguarding policy can be found on our website here: <https://spa-bermondsey.org/information/safeguarding>

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

- Last day of Autumn term: Friday 19th December 2025—normal finish time
- Pupils return: Tuesday 6th January 2026 (Staff INSET on 5th January)
- Family Pantomime : Wednesday 21st January 2026 (see letter for details)
- Spring half term Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026
- Last day of Spring term Friday 27th March 2026

Local Offer

New Positive Behaviour Sessions:

Come along to: learn more about caring for a child or young person with Autism Spectrum Disorder or learning disability, meet other parents and carers and speak with Positive Behaviour Support Workers. Light refreshments will also be provided. *Location: Ann Bernadt Family Hub 29 Chandler Way, London SE15 6DT. Time: 12:30pm—2pm.* For more information send an email to: PBSTeam@southwark.gov.uk

Sportworks Winter Programme:

Sportworks offers sports and arts and crafts activities for children in Southwark aged 5-18, who have an ECHP.

Dates: 22nd, 23rd, 29th, 30th December, **Time:** 10am-3pm, **Location:** St George's Primary School, SE5 7TF—head to the Southwark Short-breaks

Food provision over the holidays:

Southwark's school holiday activity and food programme is for children aged 4 to 16 on benefits-related free school meals. The next scheme will run on weekdays from 22 December 2025 to 2 January 2026 (excluding bank holidays). Book on the EEQU platform

The Short Break activities for December half term are live on the EEQU platform:

For more offers and information, head to: <https://eequ.org/southwarkshortbreaks> or scan the QR code —>



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